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**REMARKS**

In accordance with the foregoing, claim 2, 9, 10, 15 and 16 have been amended. Claims 1, 6, 7 and 8 have been cancelled. Claims 2, 4, 5 and 9-16 are pending and under consideration.

In the Office Action, the Examiner indicates that dependent claims 8-13 contain allowable subject matter. Dependent claim 8 previously depended on dependent claim 7, which in turn depended on claim 6, which in turn depended on claim 2. The limitations of dependent claims 6, 7, and 8 have been incorporated into independent claim 2. Claims 6, 7 and 8 have been cancelled. Accordingly, it is believed that independent claim 2 now contains allowable subject matter. Independent claim 1 has been cancelled. Independent claims 15 and 16, the only other independent claims, have also been amended to substantially include the limitations of dependent claims 6, 7 and 8. Accordingly, it submitted that claims 15 and 16 now contain allowable subject matter.

Because all independent claims have been amended to contain allowable subject matter, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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